

Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor
—Alex. H. Washburn—

Fascination of Fire

Bad Crop, Hits

Penitentiary, Too

Hope looked like a ghost town at midnight Saturday night, with rain pouring in the streets and lightning searing the sky.

Then the Feeders Supply company building caught fire. At first the flames were cloaked by the outside walls, but then they broke through from the elevator shaft — and the townlighted up as a major fire got under way.

And shortly this deserted town was full of people, half-dressed, crowded into automobiles, watching while rain pelted the fire and the firemen impartially.

It was an old drama — man's battle with the elements. And Hope's firemen gave a good account of themselves. If they hadn't, those flames would have taken the better part of a city block. But the department confined the damage to the building where the fire started — a 100 per cent performance considering it was a frame structure and doomed by the time the alarm was sounded.

Individual cotton farmers may find a little comfort in the report from Little Rock that the same combination of bad weather and boll weevil that wrecked the staple crop in Southwest Arkansas also tore up the financial statement of the state penitentiary, which operates a major plantation over in the southeastern section.

I read that the penitentiary is going to have to live on \$9,000 a month less than a year ago until it plants and gathers the 1950 cotton crop.

All because of last year's cotton disaster. It was pretty bad with the penitentiary folks. Their anticipated crop last fall was cut just about in half. They expected more than 4,000 bales — got 2,398.

A year ago the penitentiary had \$581,081 to spend from cotton receipts — now it has but \$317,438.

It's rough enough when a free man gambles his labor and money on the crop of his choice and loses — but there's something pitiful about prison labor working a whole year for the state and coming out with nothing for anybody.

\$2,895 for Local Polio Campaign

The Hempstead polio campaign has reached \$2,895.92 and although the drive has officially ended donations will continue to be accepted, Eddie Holland, chairman, announced today.

Donations include:

Jack Beatty	\$5.00
Newt Pentecost	5.00
B. R. Hamm Co.	10.00
Leo Ray	5.00
Mrs. Herbert Griffin	5.00
Sidney Cash	5.00
Ozan and St. Paul	34.00
Hope Beverage Co.	5.00
V. L. Massey	5.00
FWF Barn Dance	100.00
Peace HD Club	6.00
Current Study Club	5.00
Blevins	170.70
Blevins Grade Sch.	30.15
Blevins High Sch.	8.00
Blevins Training Sch.	33.45
Brookwood Girl Scouts	11.28
Hope Chapter OES	8.00
Roy Anderson & Co.	10.00
Mr., Mrs. R. N. Mouser	5.00
Friendship Club	5.00
Guernsey Negro Sch.	38.46
Washington Negro ch.	14.13
Washington Sch.	10.35
Hope Brick Co. Workers	8.91
Jett B Graves SS	9.50

Committees for Style Show to Meet Tonight

The Style Show committee, composed by Mrs. Bill Stroud, Mrs. David Griffin and Mrs. Hollis Luck of the Hope Federation of Garden clubs will meet at the Chamber of Commerce office tonight at 7:30 to discuss plans for the style show to be held March 8 and 9 at the Saenger Theater. Also present will be the Chamber of Commerce style show committee, composed of Eddie Stewart, chairman, Sue Sommerville, and A. E. Stonequist. Mrs. Virginia Hosmer, style show manager, will also be present, as well as Mrs. Frank McLarty, president of the Hope Federation of Garden clubs and Charles Armittage manager of the Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. P. J. Holt to Address Patmos PTA

Mrs. P. J. Holt of Hope will be guest speaker at a regular meeting of the Patmos PTA Wednesday, February 15, at the Patmos school. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. The Founders Day program will honor all past presidents of the organization.

WEATHER FORECAST

Arkansas: Rain, colder this afternoon, tonight snow flurries in northwest, north tonight, Tuesday partly cloudy and cool.

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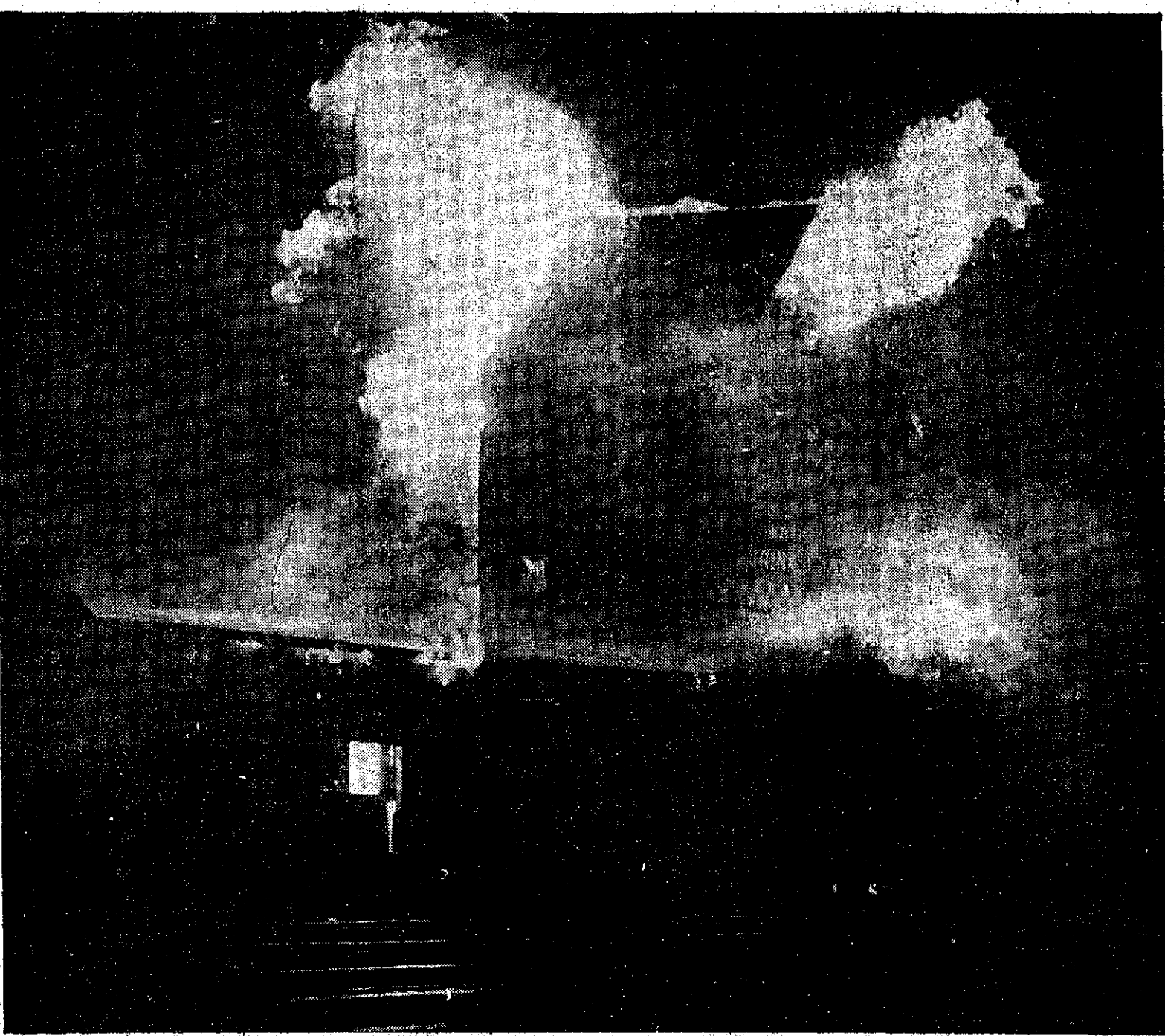
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Lightning Striking Feeders Supply Co. in Downtown Hope Starts Fire Which Razes Old Mill Building; \$30,000 Loss



Lightning striking the elevator shaft of Feeders Supply company in downtown Hope quickly finished off the towering old frame structure early Sunday morning.

Picture shows the railroad yards jointly used by the Frisco and Louisiana & Arkansas gleaming in the heavy rainstorm which raked the city Saturday night — but failed to keep the flames from leveling the old building put up a generation ago by W. W. Duckett, pioneer feed mill operator.

Hope firemen valiantly saved all neighboring buildings.

Pilkinton Seeks Post of Chancellor

James H. Pilkinton, Hope lawyer and present prosecuting attorney of the eighth judicial district, today formally announced as a candidate for Chancellor of the Second Division, Sixth Chancery District.



The 1949 legislature authorized a second judge for the district, which is composed of Hempstead, Miller, Nevada, Clark, Howard, Pike, Little River, Sevier and Polk counties. The incumbent, Judge Will Steel of Texarkana, has been serving by appointment and is not eligible to seek an elective term. The judgeship will be filled by election this year for the first time.

Mr. Pilkinton is a native of Hempstead county. He was born in Hope and at an early age moved with his parents to Washington, Arkansas. After graduation from high school and college he was admitted to the bar and, except for the time served in the Navy during World War II, has been engaged in the active practice of law here in Hope for the past twelve years.

Mr. Pilkinton is a former State Senator. He represented Hempstead, Pike and Montgomery counties in the 1939 and 1941 General Assemblies. He also served during two special sessions of the legislature. He served in the Navy during World War II and was released to inactive duty after the war ended with the rank of senior grade lieutenant. Mr. Pilkinton has retained his commission as an officer in the Naval Reserve.

In 1946 Mr. Pilkinton was elected Prosecuting Attorney of the

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Everything Set for Garland School Valentine Program

Everything is set for the Garland School Valentine's Day program Tuesday night which will be climaxed with the crowning of the King and Queen at 8:45.

Starting at 6:30 p.m. home rooms will feature concessions and games and luncheon will open at 6 p.m. A doll show will be held with an award going to the owner of the winning doll. Following coronation services folk dances will be presented by the pupils.

Fall Beneath Truck Fatal to Negro Man

Johnny Mitchell, 65-year-old Washington negro, was killed about 8 p.m. Saturday night when he fell under the wheels of a log truck near Washington.

Sheriff Claud Sutton said Mitchell was riding just behind the cab of the truck. He said his investigation showed the accident to have been unavoidable.

The truck, driven by Wyatt Crosby, another negro, was owned by Marshall Scott, operator of the Scott Sawmill near Washington.

Lafayette Youth Admits Slaying

Little Rock — Authorities have reported a solution to a two-months mutilation slaying of a six-foot, two inch marine veteran. Arkansas State Police Lt. H. R. Peterson said B. C. Jester, 20, of Lafayette county, had confessed to the killing of J. W. Brake, 25, Peterson said Jester reported Brake attempted to force him into a homosexual act.

Yerger PTA to Meet Tuesday P. M.

The president of the Yerger P. T. A. extends an invitation to all patrons to attend the meeting of the association at Yerger High school tomorrow, February 14, at 3:45 p.m.

H. Hawthorne Seeks Office of County Clerk

Harry Hawthorne, well-known Hope businessman, today announced his candidacy for the office of Hempstead County Clerk. Mr. Hawthorne's statement follows:

"After much consideration, I have decided to announce my candidacy for Clerk of Hempstead county, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary Election.

"In asking for this, I feel sure that I am fully qualified to fulfill the obligations of this office. I have lived in this county all my life, finished Hope High school and have been in business in Hope for twenty years, with the exception of the two years spent in the Army during World War II.

"If elected your next County Clerk I will devote my entire time and efforts to the duties of this office. I will appreciate your careful consideration in the coming election.

Harry Hawthorne"

7 College Students Die in Accident

Bozeman, Mont., Feb. 13 —(AP)—Seven Montana State college students were killed in an auto which plunged over a mountain cliff near here last night. An eighth was hurt critically.

The dead — two coeds and five members of a Sigma Chi fraternity basketball team — were: Phyllis Birkeland, Fort Benton Donaleen McRae, Forsyth; Harvey M. Eide, Seabey Gerald W. Early, Laurel John W. Stinchfield, Evansville, Ind. James K. Schrupf, Glendive; and Leslie Greenwell, Butte.

Charles S. Olson of Helena is hospitalized here in critical condition.

Sheriff-Coroner Charles E. Rice said one of the girls was driving when the car plunged off U. S. highway 10, west of Bozeman. The car hurtled over a bluff and "pancaked" on Northern Pacific railway tracks.

U. S. Taking New Attitude Toward Russia

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

Washington, Feb. 13 —(AP)—The Truman administration was reported today to be taking a new overall look at American foreign policy to determine just where the United States now stands in the conflict with Russia.

The study is being made by the national security council. This agency embraces the state department, the defense department and other government agencies.

Responsible officials said that the aim of the present review, which is the latest in a series of such studies to keep President Truman and the cabinet currently informed of "where we stand", is not expected to produce any new turn in the direction of major foreign policy.

It may, however, lead to some answers of questions raised by the long argument over the projected hydrogen bomb, its possible uses and its impact on world affairs.

Open questions are said to include: Whether the United States is more powerful in relation to Russia as the result of the H-bomb possibilities, how long it may be expected to hold any edge it has, what effect the possible new weapon will have on this nation's strategic planning and how the bomb should be used.

Informed authorities regard the question of use as one of the most difficult. It involves the determination — that actually may not be firmly settled for a long time — of whether as a matter of high policy the United States should reserve so devastating a weapon for use in retaliation only or whether it should use the H-bomb like any other weapon as soon as that becomes strategically desirable following the start of a war.

Man Beaten to Death at Texarkana

Texarkana, Feb. 13 —(AP)—A search was started early today for an unidentified assailant accused of slaying a Cleveland, O., man during a row over a gambling game.

Chief Deputy Sheriff Tillman Johnson said Curtis Sloan, about 30, was beaten fatally during a fight at a house in nearby Genoa, Ark., late last night. He died en route to a Texarkana hospital.

Deputy Johnson said two men had been arrested for questioning. They were not identified.

Tornadoes Strike Four States, Leaving 47 Dead and at Least 200 Hurt

Angry Coal Miners Ignore Back-to-Work Order, Some 370,000 Still on Strike

Fire Destroys Feeders Supply Company Here

Feeders Supply Co., located alongside the L & A Railway tracks between Third and Fourth streets, was destroyed by fire about midnight Saturday night. The first estimates placed the loss at around \$30,000, part of which was covered by insurance, Lynn Franks, manager, said.

The fire is believed to have been started from a bolt of lightning during a violent rain and electrical storm. Two early arrivals, Dr. F. S. Crow and LeGrone Williams, said the fire first began in an elevator shaft which was 50 to 75 feet high.

The blaze, which some estimated reached 200 feet in the air, was brought under control about daylight Sunday morning by use of all City Fire Department trucks. A small handle factory nearby caught fire four times but firemen kept the blaze from spreading.

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Six persons in one family were killed in the little Tennessee mining community of Hubertsville, near Ripley, early today.

The Red Cross said at least eight persons were killed at Grand Cane, La.

The twisters played havoc in the northwestern Louisiana, East Texas and southern Arkansas.

The tornadoes — spawned Sunday when a mass of cold air collided with a mass of warm, moist air — struck at least 20 times in less than 24 hours.

The number of dead in Texas and Louisiana had been reported as high as 42 at one time Sunday night. But Louisiana state police at Bossier City scaled this figure down a recheck that caught some duplications.

First to feel the twisters' wrath was East Texas. Texas' A. C. Cane, Tex., Saturday afternoon.

Another twister hit later, that one at Chapel Hill, Bremond and Bayville. At midnight the twister increased and with much more rapidity the twisters struck.

Coley, Grapesack, Jericho, Houshopper, Haslam, Gull, Salem, Hughes Springs, all in Texas. Roytown, near Cassville, Grand Cane, Shreveport, and Grand Cane, Louisiana.

The Shreveport Times gave breakdown of Louisiana deaths. Roytown, nine; Shreveport, four; Grand Cane, four; Grand Cane, four.

Twisters in Texas killed women near the little town of Haslam on a 13-month boy and his father in a family of six.

An indication of sentiment came as overnight crews failed to report six deaths in West Virginia and two in Pennsylvania. The mines employ 6,190 diggers.

While the soft coal strike continued, some 80,000 anthracite (hard coal) mines continued to work in western Pennsylvania under the three-day work week imposed by Lewis on the industry at large. And about 30,000 miners covered by new contracts secured by Lewis with minor soft coal operators also were ready to dig.

The anthracite miners got time and one-half pay, though, for foregoing the traditional Lewis anniversary holiday. The UMW chief quietly observed his 70th birthday yesterday but it is a holiday today under the old anthracite contract.

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Come Tax Deadline March 15

Washington, Feb. 13 — (AP)—Midnight of March 15 is the deadline for filing up on your 1949 income tax.

Your 1949 income was \$800 or less, you must file a return, either by mail or in person. If you owe any, you must pay it in full.

This applies to every man, woman and child, married or single, and to those with more income in 1949 than in 1948.

Under \$800 income is free of tax. If you have more than \$800 income in 1949, you must file a return. If you had some tax withheld from your salary, the government will return it to you only if you file a return.

The only way you can get a refund is by filing a return.

The internal revenue collector will not accept a return unless it is properly filled out. If you don't have yours, you can get it at the nearest collector's office or at most banks.

Most offices will be open until 5 p.m. on Feb. 15. If you are unable to get there, you can file by mail.

Number of points will be examined separately and in detail in other stories of this series.

Who uses what form for filing a return, the problem of husband and wife filing, and their filing of returns, exemptions, reductions, dependents, and how to fill out the forms.

Keep these highlights in mind. In every case where the wife has income, a couple can't lose money by filing jointly.

Joint returns will save money in most cases where both husband and wife have income.

Joint returns also present a number of advantages. They are simpler to fill out, each person pays only one tax, and the return is filed only once.

Each person's exemption is added to the other's. Each person's deductions are added to the other's. Each person's credits are added to the other's.

Each person's tax is calculated separately. Each person's refund is calculated separately. Each person's liability is calculated separately.

Each person's return gets a \$800 exemption for himself, \$800 for each dependent, and \$800 for his wife if she had no income or less jointly with him. If she had income and files a return separately, she claims her own \$800 exemption.

In addition to the usual \$800 exemption he gets for himself, any child under 17 gets a \$800 exemption. If the child is blind, deaf, dumb, or insane, he gets an extra \$800 exemption.

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OUT FOR THE COUNT—Census Bureau worker Jeanne Rogers displays one of a quarter-million portfolios to be used by enumerators in the 1950 U. S. census. A mountain of the packages is piled behind her. You will encounter one of the Census Bureau's enumerators with portfolio some time after April 1.



WINNIE IS UNDISTURBED—Announcement in London that a general election that Conservatives hope will make Winston Churchill prime minister again would be held February 23 failed to disrupt the vacation of the doughty opposition leader. The Labor government's No. 1 foe and Mrs. Churchill are vacationing in Madeira, where Churchill is seen engaged in his favorite diversion, painting a scene in the village of Camara de Lobos, near Funchal.



"HEAR YE! HEAR YE!"—In colorful British tradition, Commander Poland, the Common Crier, reads the king's proclamation which dissolves Parliament, opening the way for the general elections on Feb. 23. Crowds gathered outside the Royal Exchange in London to hear the proclamation read.

Dread Hand of Famine Is the Governing Factor in China Despite the Party in Power

By DeWITT MacKENZIE
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

The dread hand of famine again has spun the wheel of fortune in China and until it stops no man—either Nationalist or Communist—can say what fate has in store for that war-torn country.

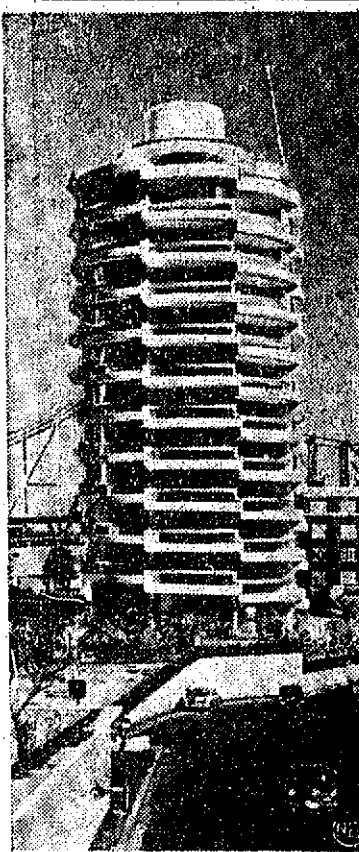
Communist-occupied East China, north of the mighty Yangtze river, is being swept by the scourge of hunger. At least 16,000,000 people are reported by the Communist news agency to be feeling the pinch, and some 2,780,000 are said to be facing starvation.

Spring, which isn't far away,

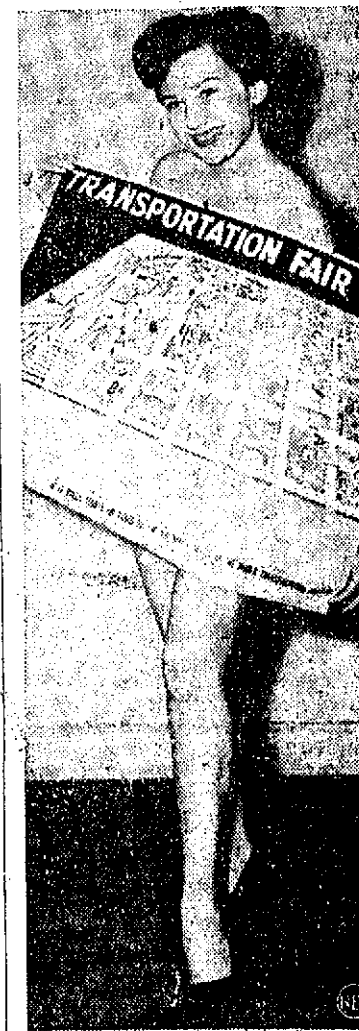
is expected to bring worsening conditions in this area. Should the famine develop into a major disaster, as so often has happened in the past, it could have far-reaching effects on the status of the Communist offensive in the Far East, for China is essential to Red success.

Small wonder that the Chinese communists who now dominate most of China, are straining every nerve to reach the rice crops of Burma, Indochina and other food centers of the Far East.

Rice kernels are more potent



ROUND HOUSE—A revolutionary new spiral apartment house is pictured above as it would look if built in New York. With the aid of movable wall panels, tenants can change the size of their rooms at will. Large private terraces make every apartment, in effect, a penthouse. All utilities, pipes and elevators are located in a centralized mechanical core.



COME TO THE FAIR—A long-range invitation to the World Transportation Fair, to be held in Los Angeles in the summer of 1951, is hereby extended by Jackie Waldron. Through spectacles and hundreds of exhibits, the fair will tell the story of transportation from its earliest days to the present.

than bullets these days.

China has been afflicted with innumerable disastrous famines through the centuries. People have died in untold millions. Now with her population of 500,000,000—more than a fifth of all the people in the world—there are hosts of folk who, quite apart from famine, always are hungry. There just isn't enough food for all, and that's a condition which exists in most parts of the Far East.

China's position now is particularly bad because for more than thirty-eight years the republic has known little peace. The ravages of war have left a terrible mark on the life of the country. And agriculture has been particularly hard hit. Armies have surged back and forth across the silted fields, killing what crops the locust hadn't got. And of course in many cases armies have appropriated the

Pilkinton

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Eight judicial circuit and has served a five county district as prosecutor.

In making his formal announcement, Mr. Pilkinton said: "Hempstead is my home county. The people here know me and know the things for which I stand; therefore, a lengthy statement to my home folks would not be appropriate. If I am promoted to the Chancery judgeship I shall endeavor to discharge the duties of the office in such a way as to reflect credit on our courts and on the people who place their confidence in me."

Mr. Pilkinton is married and the father of two children. His wife is the former Marguerite Crumpler of Smackover, Arkansas. They live at 223 East 15th street here in Hope. He is the son of Mrs. L. L. Pilkinton of Hope and the late Mr. Pilkinton. He is the grandson of the late James H. Betts, pioneer citizen and early Mayor of Hope.

Tornadoes

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down Sunday by the peppering rain. The Red Cross today reported about 20,000 persons still are homeless as a result of floodwaters of the swollen St. Francis river.

A small farming community near Mt. Holly, in South Arkansas, was hit by a tornado yesterday afternoon. Two houses and two oil derricks were demolished and a store was damaged. No casualties were reported.

The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Colbert was damaged by a windstorm that struck the Cane creek community in Sheridan county.

At least 12 persons have perished, either directly or indirectly, as a result of the weather so far this year.

Mrs. Marrie Irene Dildene, 42, and her son, Jimmy, seven, drowned when their wagon overturned in Cane creek, near Saffell, Lawrence county, Sunday afternoon. Miss Novella Lowe, 24, drowned Saturday night attempting to escape from a car which had slipped into a rain swollen creek near the Washburn community in Washington county.

At least three cities reported more than four inches of rainfall during a 24-hour period ended at 6:30 p.m. Sunday. Hot Springs apparently recorded the most with 4.79 inches. Little Rock had a total of 4.68. Walnut Ridge had 4.06.

The rainfall at Hot Springs Sunday was more than the total precipitation for any month of February since 1933.

A rain swollen creek washed away part of a railroad bridge at Lester, Ark., yesterday. The washout stranded a Missouri Pacific train at Camden. About 100 passengers were aboard. Workmen began repairs immediately.

grain of farming communities, leaving the people to suffer.

So China now is very weak as this new plague of hunger descends on her. Famine means that people peel bark from elm and willow and acacia trees and eat it. They mix bitter roots of weeds with dried sweet potato vine, millet husks and peanut shells and eat them.

The gaunt eyed children develop bloated bellies. Their elders grow more and more emaciated. And finally one by one they give up the fight and just lie down to die, either from actual starvation or allied diseases like dysentery.

It is a characteristic of many Oriental peoples that they blame the government when disaster overtakes them, even though it be an act of nature. The Chinese are that way, and the advent of famine, on top of all their other troubles, could easily cause an adverse reaction to the Red regime.

Appropos of this it is interesting to note that the Chinese new year begins on February 17. That ordinarily is a time of great celebration—a time of settling accounts, a time of looking into the future. If conditions aren't good during this period, which lasts about a fortnight, then that is a bad omen for the ensuing year.

Meantime the Nationalists, with headquarters on the island of Formosa, are increasing their war from the air against Communist held cities and Red Shipping. Peiping and nine other great Chinese cities have been warned by the Nationalists to expect bombing in the immediate future.

So China's bloody civil strife continues with the Communists occupying most of that sprawling country, but with the future far from clear.

It is estimated that American shipping has spent \$8,000,000 on radar equipment since the end of the war as an aid to navigation.

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Brannan Plan May Be Used on Potatoes

Washington, Feb. 13 — (AP)—Congressional critics of the Brannan

Champion Muskrat Skinner May Quit the Business Due to Low Price for Skins

By HAL BOYLE

Cambridge, Md. — (AP)—The world's champion muskrat skinner says he's going to quit tramping the marshes.

"Man, I've handled many a muskrat in my time, and I have less now than I did when I started out 40 years ago," said Curtis Insley.

Insley, a tall, powerful man of 55, is to the fine old American art of muskrat skinning what Joe DiMaggio is to baseball. At least he is along the tidewaters of Maryland's famed eastern shore.

It came as no surprise to him last Saturday when he won the national muskrat skinning contest at the Cambridge outdoor show against trappers from Maine to Louisiana.

"I really never had a beat fair," said Insley, "and that ain't bragging."

To skin a muskrat you first go out in the marshes and catch one with a steel trap, and to an outsider this looks like the easiest part of the whole thing.

The skinning can be done in two ways. Insley's a lap skinner, who works seated with the muskrat between his knees. North is a foot skinner. He skins with one knee on the floor and one foot on the muskrat's tail.

In either case incisions are made at the base of the animal's tail. He is then skinned inside out and separated from his pelt by a series of rapid knife slices, any one of which could take off the trapper's finger. And the pelt must be removed in marketable condition. They go into fur coats.

Insley doesn't think five muskrats will make a good fur coat.

farm plan said today they are considering applying it to the surplus potato issue.

"Economists tell us it probably would backfire and cost about \$400,000,000 this year," said one lawmaker, who would not permit use of his name. That ought to blow the Brannan plan to pieces for ever—but it might be worth it."

There are approximately 19,000 muskrats in the United States, 7,000 more than in 1944.

rats are enough to show what the contestants really can do. "I like to skin 25," he said. "That way you can get a hand in it."

I can skin 1000 in ten hours—and smoke a few cigars doing it, too."

Insley has been going out to the marshes, the brackish wastelands that vegetarians muskrats love, since he was 13.

In a single 74-day season he once trapped 2,800 muskrats, or about 40 a day. He works on a share-alike basis with the owner of the marshland.

"I should have had a piece of marsh myself," he said a little wistfully. He farms and does day labor out of trapping season.

In his lifetime he has seen the pelt sell from forty cents to \$4.00 or more.

"I've made as much as \$1,800 in a season," he said. But "I'll be lucky if I clear \$80 this year."

Good pelts now fetch about \$1.25. And the skinned muskrat carcass sells for 40 to 50 cents. They are listed on the menus hereabouts as "marsh rabbits."

"Man, they're good eating," exclaimed Insley, good as black duck. You can fry 'em, or pot 'em—just like chicken."

Steady trapping and an increase of preying natural enemies—owls and raccoons cut down the muskrat population.

"So far I've only taken about 100," said Insley wryly. "I think I'll stop ratting after this year. Man, it is pretty hard to trample the marshes all day long."

His neighbors take this declaration with a grain of marsh silt, however. They feel sure Insley will be out there trampling as long as there is a muskrat still unskinned.

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Special Calendar

Friday, February 14
The Fidelity Sunday school class will meet at the First Baptist church. The regular monthly business meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Hargis, on West Ave. Tuesday, February 14 at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 14
The Iris Garden club will entertain with its Valentine Tea at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at home of Mrs. E. O. Wing. Co-hostesses will be Mrs. J. Bowden, Mrs. Paul Raley and Leo Robins. The guest will be the president of the Hope Federation of Garden clubs, Mrs. McKinley, and the past president, Mrs. Charles Wylie. Guests will include president of the member clubs, Mrs. E. M. Thompson Evans, Camilla, Mrs. Jim Cole; Bill, Mrs. Benford McRae; Lena, Mrs. W. L. Andrews; Mrs. B. L. Retting; Rose, Mrs. H. O. Kyles; and Wisteria, Mrs. Manuel Hamm.

There will be a regular monthly meeting of the tea at 2 o'clock with Mrs. Lahroy Spates, president. Mrs. E. F. Formby left Sunday to spend the week with Mr. Formby and relatives in Little Rock.

Winnsome Sunday school will meet at the First Baptist church at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday. W. R. Mosley, Mrs. Roy, Mrs. Walter Mills, and George Young will be the teachers.

The Garland School will entertain a Valentine Carnival beginning at 6 p.m. Tuesday, February 14 at the school. The public is invited.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the First Baptist church, Mrs. Earl Little, president, will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

The Gleaners Sunday school will meet in the home of Mrs. G. West, 721 North Hervey, at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, for their regular monthly meeting.

The Alpha Zeta chapter of the Sigma Phi will entertain with a Valentine Party for the rushees at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday at the VFW.

Wednesday, February 15
The Lilac Garden club will meet at 3 p.m. Wednesday, February 15 at the home of Miss Ethridge with Mrs. H. C. Worth and Mrs. J. J. Bateman co-hostesses.

The Wisteria Garden club will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred Can, 609 South Hervey St. at 7 p.m. Wednesday, February 15. Mrs. Bill Routon co-hostess.

Thursday, February 16
The Daffodil Garden club will meet at 2 p.m. Thursday, February 16 at the home of Mrs. James Rossa on North Washington. Mrs. Earl Powell, Jr., as hostess.

Mrs. Jim Cole will hostess to the Camilla Club. The Camilla Garden club met Tuesday, February 10 at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Jim Cole. Mrs. Forrest Hair as co-hostess.

The Cole home was beautifully decorated with arrangements of carnations, and other spring flowers.

Mrs. Cole, president of the club, presided over the business meeting. Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary, Mrs. Floyd Leverett. Plans were made for the club luncheon to be held in May.

An interesting program on "Ancestors for early planting" was presented by Mrs. L. D. Barnum, Mrs. Fred Cook and Mrs. J. C. Ton.

At the close of the meeting, a delicious dessert was served to the hostess to 13 members.

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Wiggins, of this city, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Charlene Faye to William Carl Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen R. Johnson also of this city. The wedding will be an event of Easter Sunday, April 9 at three o'clock at the First Baptist church.

Coming and Going

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Franks, and daughter, Penny and Peggy spent the week-end with Mrs. Franks' mother, Mrs. Verna Johnson in Texarkana. Penny Ann remained for a week visit with Mrs. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Leverett spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Davis in Prescott, and her brother Mr. and Mrs. James C. Davis of Houston, who were visiting there.

Mrs. E. F. Formby left Sunday to spend the week with Mr. Formby and relatives in Little Rock.

Communiques

Whitehorse, Y. T., Can., Feb. 13 — Pfc. Herman Tree is participating with his unit, the 37th Transportation Truck company, from Fort Sill, Okla., in a sub-Arctic "combat" maneuver in the Yukon, a region long famous as one of the last great outposts of adventure and exploration on the North American continent.

Pfc. Tree is the son of Mrs. J. T. Bobo, who lives at Rt. 1, Hope, Ark.

Hospital Notes

Julia Chester
Discharged: W. H. Stingley, Blevins.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Morris, Hope, announce the arrival of a son, David Franklin.

Josephine
Admitted: Miss Anna Mae Steavenson, McCaskill; W. Mac Pratt, Rt. 3, Hope; Miss Rae Jamerson, Hope.

Discharged: Mrs. W. M. Sparks, Hope; Mrs. Vester McRoy, Hope.

Branch
Admitted: Mrs. C. W. Johnson, Patmos; Wade Gilbert, Rt. 1, Washington; Bernice Hamilton, Stamps.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Levins of Hope, announce the arrival of a baby girl on February 11.

Ingrid Names Son After Father

Rome, Feb. 13 — (AP) — Ingrid Bergman's son was registered officially yesterday as Renato Roberto Giuseppe Rossellini.

The registration certificate at the Roman registry office listed Ellen Director, Roberto Rossellini as the baby's father but made no reference to the mother.

Attorneys for Rossellini, who made the registration himself with his two attorneys as witnesses, said the mother's name would be added to the registration later "after legal complications are cleared."

Miss Bergman was granted a Mexican divorce Thursday from Dr. Peter Lindstrom of Hollywood and plans to marry Rossellini. But speculation has arisen that Lindstrom legally might claim to be the father of the baby born here 11 days ago since legally Miss Bergman was still his wife then.

Gino Solis, Rossellini's attorney, at a press conference last night said the baby would be called "Roberto." Italian law does not permit him to have the same first name as his father. Solis said the "Renato Roberto" given him was a tradition in the Rossellini family.

Giusto, the attorney said, is the name of Miss Bergman's father. Date and place of Miss Bergman's marriage to Rossellini have not been announced. Her divorce decree, which must be received in Italy before the ceremony can

Menus

Yorger High school lunch menu.
Monday: Smothered liver with onion gravy, creamed potatoes, string beans, peach salad, bread, milk.

Tuesday: Pork roast and dressing, gravy, Eng. peas in potato nests, cranberry sauce.

Wednesday: Blackeyed Peas, candied potatoes, slaw, corn bread, milk.

Thursday: Fried fish, potato salad, cookies, bread, milk.

Friday: Beef vegetable soup, crackers, oranges, milk.

Atoms May Be Answer to Many Ailments

Los Alamos, N. M., Feb. 13 — (AP)—This atomic center deals in life as well as death.

While the nation's top nuclear physicists work in the Los Alamos laboratories to perfect weapons capable of dealing death to hundreds of thousands, a comparatively small group of 34 bio-medical scientists do research that might defeat many of the human race's most destructive ailments. At the same time, the 34 work to protect the weapons scientists against the vagaries of the radioactive materials with which they deal every day.

Directing the Los Alamos bio-medical research group is Dr. Wright Langham, a slight, energetic man whose scientific ability commands the respect of other scientists on the hill.

Langham has watched the bio-medical lab grow from an 18 by 20 foot laboratory and three persons to its present staff and 23 laboratories.

Only three of the 23 laboratories are inside the security fence, but outsiders are not encouraged to visit. Some of the materials used in the bio-medical research could be death-dealing to the careless.

The laboratories are a strange world of geiger counters, special test tubes made by some of the nation's best glass blowers and intricate photographic equipment that enables radioactivity to take its own picture on raw film.

There are rabbits with panels in their ears, permitting scientists to study blood flow. There is a slicer that cuts material under observation to 1-10th micron—and a micron is 39.37 millionths of an inch.

An ultra-centrifuge, a bulky box-like affair, spins 70,000 revolutions a minute to separate molecules of a substance by sheer centrifugal weight. This compares with a cruising speed of 1,900 r. m.'s for the four-engine constellation plane.

The material to be broken down is inserted in a drum and all air withdrawn from the chamber before the spinning begins. Scientists say the drum spins so rapidly that even a small amount of air left in the chamber would produce enough friction to burn the solid steel drum to a shapeless mass.

There are electronic beams that pass through material being tested and chart, on film, that material's component parts in comparative peaks.

There is an infrared spectrophotometer that produces a molecular pattern of an unknown substance. Once scientists get that pattern, they can farm it around to the various laboratories for comparison against charts of known molecular patterns.

Radioactive carbon 14 is used to "tag" chemical compounds whose activity in living tissue is being studied. The radioactivity of the tagged compound makes it easier to trace the compound's progress through the body.

LITTLE ROCK COUNCIL

Little Rock, Feb. 13 — (UP) — The Little Rock city council is to consider a petition tonight calling for a special election on the proposed installation of parking meters.

The petition was circulated by the Young Business Men's association, and given approval last week by the council. City Clerk H. C. Graham has announced that the signatures are sufficient to call the election. The council is expected to set the date tonight for the referendum.

take place here, is enroute from Mexico by airmail.

Rossellini said the baby will be baptized soon in the Catholic church. His lawyer said the director's application for a Catholic church annulment of his previous marriage — needed before he and Miss Bergman can wed by the church — would be filed soon with the vicariate tribunal of Rome.

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MEASURING BILLIONTH OF AN OUNCE—At the Argonne National Laboratory in Chicago, a super-sensitive fiber balance weighs atomic materials to show differences of a billionth of an ounce. This was one of the first pictures released by the Atomic Energy Commission showing actual work processes in the development of atomic energy.

DOROTHY DIX Inhuman Attitude

Dear Miss Dix: During the fifteen years that I have been married my husband's attitude toward me has been a heartbreak to me. He has nothing against me personally. They have always been good and kind to him. But it makes him furious every time I go to see my people. He says that when a girl gets married she should forget her own family, but I think that would be inhuman. My dear mother is dead. My father is nearly 70 and in spite of my husband I always go to see him once a week and when I go my husband says something cutting to me and tells the children I should stay at home. Do you think I do anything wrong in going to see my old dad?

Answer: Of course not. You owe it to your father to show him that much affection and attention, and you would be doing a cruel and heartless thing if you failed to visit him as often as possible.

May Make Concessions

I believe in wives making many concessions to their husbands' prejudices and going even more than fifty-fifty in trying to adapt themselves to their husbands' whims, if that is the only way in which they can keep the peace, but when a man demands that his wife shall commit the unpardonable crime of turning ingrate to the father who cherished her, I think the time has come for her to defy him.

Of course, it is nothing but jealousy that inspires this kind of conduct in a man. He is determined to monopolize his wife and he cannot endure the thought that any part of her affection goes to any one else. Also, his vanity makes him want to be supreme with his wife, and it infuriates him to know that her family have any influence over it.

And it is strange that any man or woman who tries to alienate a husband or wife from his or her family has not intelligence enough to see that loyalty and love and gratitude are not spasmodic virtues, but that they are integral parts of a character, and that the husband or wife who could be weaned from their parents and their brothers and sisters could also be weaned from them.

Dear Miss Dix: I am a girl of 21, engaged to a man ten years my senior whom I love very much. He is a man who has "been around," as the phrase goes, and he has fallen in love with me because he believes me so nice and sweet and innocent. Six years ago when I was a kid I had an experience that is like a nightmare to remember but since then I have gone absolutely straight. I am not afraid he will break the engagement and refuse to marry me. It is just that all his love is founded on his belief that I am exceptionally fine and good, and if he found out to the contrary he would lose the respect he has for me and both he and I would be miserable. Should I or should I not tell him?

M. H. R.
Answer: Just taking it as a general proposition I think that men and women make a great mistake when they confess to each other their past indiscretions before they are married. It simply destroys their faith in each other and gives each one endless food for jealousy.

Marriage should wipe the slate for both parties. What matters then is whether they are going to lead clean lives and be faithful to each other. It is far more important than some error they have committed before they even knew each other.

Of course you case has a little sting in the very fact that your fiance, having been a rounder himself, demands absolute purity in his wife. That will make him more resentful of your having a splash on your skirts, although his garments are covered with slime. Knowing this, it may be best for you to tell him before marriage and at least deprive him of the privilege of saying that you deceived him.

Dear Miss Dix: My husband is so jealous that I don't even speak to another man. If I were to meet a minister I would be afraid to say hello to him. I am a faithful and devoted wife, yet his jealousy makes him accuse me of every kind of crime and overwhelm me with the lowest abuse. To leave him will break my heart, but to stay with him will drive me crazy.

B. E.
Answer: There is no cure for jealousy because it is a form of insanity. And there is no happiness with a jealous man. You have to

either make up your mind to take it and like it or leave him.
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11 Drown When Finnish Ship Goes Down

Del Helder, The Netherlands, Feb. 13 — (AP)—Ten seamen and a stowaway drowned yesterday in the sinking of the 2,214-ton Finnish freighter Karhula off the Dutch coast.

Capt. Hugh David Groenstrand, and two stowaways, were saved by Dutch lifeboats.

The freighter, carrying a load of wood pulp from Finland to France, began leaking after shifting deck cargo caused it to list. After a five-hour losing battle, Groenstrand ordered his men to abandon ship, one minute before she sank.

Yale to Get New President on June 30

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 13 — (AP)—A 43-year-old Yale history professor will be the next president of Yale university.

Prof. Alfred Whitney Griswold, a Yale graduate and member of the faculty since 1933, was selected by members of the Yale corporation Saturday to succeed President Charles Seymour as Yale's 18th president. President Seymour, who has reached the mandatory retirement age of 65, leaves Yale on June 30. Griswold will become president the following day.

Griswold, who said his selection was a complete surprise to him, was absent from the city Saturday and announcement of his election was delayed until Sunday morning, when it was made at a news conference by President Seymour. The retiring president also was a professor of history when he was elected president of Yale 13 years ago.

Griswold was graduated from Yale in 1929. He taught English at Yale for one year after his graduation, and then did graduate work in Germany and at Yale before rejoining the Yale faculty as a teacher of history in 1933.

During his career as a Yale teacher, Griswold attained an international reputation as a historian, particularly through two of his books.

They were "The Far Eastern Policy of the United States," which covered 40 years of American diplomacy, and "Farming and Democracy," a study of farming and the democratic process in the United States, Great Britain and France.

Griswold was made a full professor of history at Yale in 1947. During World War II, he served as director of the foreign area and



WHO'S THAT HOMBRE?—You'd never guess that this tough customer in the cowboy getup is Hollywood dancing star Fred Astaire. Fred, usually seen in top hat and tails, is "done up western" for his role with Betty Hutton in "Let's Dance."

language curriculum of the army specialized training program. He also directed the civil affairs training school conducted by the army at Yale.

Arkansas and A&M Meet Tonight

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 13 — (AP)—The dizzy Southwest conference basketball game tonight may take another confusing turn in the drive toward the finish.

The two teams tied for the Texas A. and M. and Southern Methodist — both risk their position. Arkansas, A. and M.'s foe, stands a chance to grab a share of the lead if it wins. Rice, which will meet Southern Methodist, stands a chance for some personal prestige, even if it can't count on going anywhere in the one game.

A four-way tie for the lead was cut in half last week in some tie-break action.

Southern Methodist whipped Texas A. and M., 56-50, and Texas, 51-34; Texas beat Texas Christian, 69-57. A. and M. nosed out Baylor, 58-54, in overtime, and Texas Christian thumped Rice, 64-38. Arkansas won a non-conference game with Pittsburgh, 41-38.

Joe McDermott of Rice hung on to leadership in season scoring, but by a slim margin. He has 285 points to 277 for second place Paul Mitchell of SMU and 197 for McDermott.

Four other conference games are scheduled this week, the next to last of play.

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Steel says demand for scrap went
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Political
Announcements

The Star is authorized to an-
nounce the following are candi-
dates for public office subject
to the action of the Democratic
primary elections this summer:

Chancery Judge
Second Division, 6th District
JAMES H. PILKINGTON

Sheriff and Collector
J. W. (SON) JONES

Treasurer
LUCILLE RUGGLES

County Clerk
HARRY HAWTHORNE

Fair
Enough

By Westbrook Pegler
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The details of this idea are not
smoothed out just yet, so don't
bother to pick me up on my fig-
ures and general statements,
which are strictly tentative. I am
collaborating with an old friend on
plan to take Arizona out of the
United States of A. and run her
as a private country.

Arizona is less a state than a re-
sponsibility of the national union.
She is in area, about one-tenth
freelhold and nine-tenths federal or
state land (see above). Her popu-
lation is more than 50 per cent
wards, or dependents, of the fed-
eral or state treasury (see above).
This refers to Indians on reser-
vations, retired colonels and other
ranks and categories and many ac-
tive employees in the federal civil
service, who get a little over five
weeks of standard vacation a year,
plus 15 days' sick-leave, plus more
than the equivalent of a week—and
a half of standard holidays amount-
ing in all to a waste of about 20
per cent of such personnel (see
above). In other words, 20 per
cent of the civil service are dead-
weight, too, even in that period of
their careers which is courteously
called their working days. This
brings us up to a tentative figure
of a little more than 60 per cent
dependency in the total population,
not counting unemployment com-
pensation, old-age cases and east-
ern capitalists who run cattle
ranches at public expense through
subsidies and clever little schemes
having the color of legality.

My friend is a melancholy Re-
publican. He amassed a fortune
of \$17,380,000, before taxes, (see
above) in business. He went to
Phoenix and discovered that, in
Arizona, Republicans go under-
ground and register as Democrats
ostensibly to weld a superior in-
fluence in the Democratic prima-
ries but actually for fear that
Democratic assessors and other
catch-polls will persecute them by
due process. There are, neverthe-
less, a few magnificent old Re-
publican specimens, living and
moving about in Arizona, proud,
morose and stately, but pathetic
figures, tolerated by the Demo-
crats under unwritten amnesty du-
ring good behavior. Like unrecon-
ciled apaches, they command a
sneaking admiration and are per-
mitted to practice law, den-
tistry and geology and go through
the motions of running for office,
which they do in apathetic, desul-
tory and futile manner.

Arizona is politically sterile,
lacking pride of statehood for
which she qualified by trashy pre-
text, and without hope of dignity,
for she is doomed to mendacity
until she becomes a nation. These
being the facts, our proposition is
to appeal to the self-interest of the
other states with practical tempta-
tions and make a deal.

We would contract to assume the
present obligations of the national
government toward its wards and
proteges in Arizona and establish
an easy-going monarchy on the or-
der of Holland. My friend and I
both prefer a queen to a king,
though not a fat one. We would sell
her life story to a magazine for
enough to buy a castle and a good
phenogenic type would fetch enough
in Hollywood to found a
royal purse. She will endorse cig-
arettes, gin, cosmetics and girdles,
write a column and consider bids
from appropriate radio sponsors.
On the whole, she should be self-
supporting until she plays out at
which time we would make other
arrangements, her undated abdica-
tion being in hand from the start.

We will establish customs stations
at the border points and charge
moderate import or transit duties
and a fee on vehicles and make
similar arrangements at the air-
ports. Treaties can be worked out
to get us our duty on non-stop air-
borne freight crossing our sov-
eighty. Failing which, however, I
might as well say frankly now, we
have in mind the measures Tito
used in Jugoslavia. We do not
worry about urfangs, buatties lnds
ch, avoid our fangs, but let us
wish to show our fangs.

We appeal to the practical in-
stincts of the legitimate states. They
pay much more into the federal
treasury than they take out. Our
balance is equally dramatic in re-
verse. We are a client on the people
living on the taxes of the people of
these abundant states. Those taxes,
in the words of an immortal lex-
icon, are paid in the sweat of
those who toil in N. Y., Pa., Mass.,
et cetera.

We have been casting about in
our minds for a suitable patron to
underwrite a revolution, deliver-
ance from our degraded status of

Tech's Cage
Record Still
Unblemished

Little Rock, Feb. 13 — (AP) The
race for the 1950 AIC basketball
crown is heading into the home
stretch with Arkansas Tech, carry-
ing an unblemished record, as
the leader and the pace setter.

However, Tech's Wonder Boys
face one of their most crucial tests
of the season Tuesday night when
they tangle with rapidly-improving
Bears of Arkansas Teachers.

It will be the first of two en-
gagements between Tech, which
has won its last 13 league games,
and Teachers, now in third place
after a slow early season start.

With the loop battle standing at
the two-thirds mark, the Wonder
Boys still have tough competition
in store. They must go to Jones-
boro for a return engagement
with second-place Arkansas State
and meet Ozarks, Arkansas college,
Arkansas A&M and Henderson be-
fore the windup.

The Indians of State have
dropped only one conference tilt,
and that was to Tech. With the
exception of Teachers, other op-
ponents virtually can be counted
out of the running.

Thorpe Named
Greatest
U. S. Athlete

New York, Feb. 13 — (AP) There
are a thousand good stories—some
of them true—about old Jim
Thorpe, the greatest all-around
athlete of the past 50 years.

And, in the nearly 40 years
since the muscular Sac-Fox In-
dian first flashed to athletic fame
at Carlisle Indian school, it has
become increasingly hard to tell
where the truth ends and where
excusable exaggeration begins.

James Francis Thorpe is not
merely a legendary figure in
American sports. He's the kind of
man about whom legends grow.
And Thorpe himself seldom hesi-
tated to add to the fable of old
Jim. Perhaps in later years,
when he found it hard to earn a
living, his memory played him
false on dates and details. Or
maybe Jim liked to make a good
story better, too.

Taking fact and fable for what
they're worth, the sports writers
and broadcasters of the United
States, participating in the Asso-
ciated Press poll, voted Thorpe the
outstanding male athlete of the
first half of the 20th century. They
put him far ahead of Babe Ruth,
Jack Dempsey, Ty Cobb, Bobby
Jones and Joe Louis—all great
athletes about whom some color-
ful yarns also have been told.

Of the 393 voters, 252 named
Thorpe first, 45 named his sec-
ond and 29 third. Ruth drew 86
first place votes, 118 seconds and
45 thirds. Dempsey was ranked
third with 19, 67 and 55.

In other ballots, the experts
also chose Thorpe—now 61 years
old—as the outstanding foot-
ball player of the 1900-1949 period
and ranked him second only to
Jessie Owens in track.

According to legend, Thorpe was
virtually indestructible; the kind
of guy who'd ask: "Who could get
hurt playing football?"

There's a legend that Thorpe
couldn't hit a curve ball, a weak-
ness which finally forced him out
of the major leagues. Yet Jim was
good enough to remain in the ma-
jor six seasons and to draw a
\$7,500 salary when \$7,500 really
meant something.

Basketball
By The Associated Press
National Association
Fort Wayne 76 Rochester 74.
Minneapolis 88, Boston 70.
St. Louis 80 Philadelphia 70.
Syracuse 102 Waterloo 98.
Indianapolis 95 Tri-City 89 (af-
termoon).

American League
Wilkes-Barre 70; Scranton 63.
New York 89 Hartford 81.

Purchased iron and steel scrap
consumption in the U. S. totaled
21,250,000 gross tons in 1949, 27 per
cent less than in 1948.

moother member of the North
American sisterhood and our proud
emergency into self-respecting free-
dom. I have thought some of Stal-
in. I have made no overtures. But
you know what he did in Latvia.
What the other states can want
of us I cannot see. We talk and
talk about our wonderful garden
truck, but aside from the disgust-
ing spectacle of miles and miles of
carrots at harvest time, signifying
lamb stew and hors d'oeuvres at
cocktail parties, this consumes
3,001 acre-inches of precious water
per ton of carrots. Of this, 70 per
cent is lost by evaporation, 11,208
per cent (see above) is shipped
out of Arizona forever as juice in
the carrots and only the pulpy re-
mainder finally seeps back down
to our water table freedom of speech,
religion and the ballot and a new
one that even Truman never heard
of, freedom from work. Talk your
head off. Pray, sing hymns, yell
hallelujah, jump, roll and carry on
like crazy. Vote every day. We
will dispose of votes the way Tam-
many does when a Republican
comes down from up-state neck-
and-neck with their guy. Ask Tru-
man how Pendergast did it. Every-
body gets supported free from the
clip on commerce and people pass-
ing by or over. That and the cop-
per, but nobody has to work the
mines. We use radar.

Please think this over and let
me know.

Water sellers at Bahrien, on the
Persian Gulf, dive to the bottom
of the gulf and fill goatskins from
fresh water springs.



BACK IN THE SADDLE—Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas, who suffered serious injuries when he was thrown from a horse last October, is not one to be discouraged easily. The justice, vacationing at Tucson, Ariz., is seen setting out on a long ride.



DOC'S GRIPPERS TAKE HOLD—Dr. F. D. Stalford, 76, an enterprising dentist of Walters, Okla., shows the ice grippers that he invented to give pedestrians a steady footing on icy sidewalks. Stalford said orders are coming in from all over the country and he has turned an empty storeroom into a gripper assembly plant.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Hugh S. Fullerton, Jr.

New York, Feb. 13 — (AP) Future
book: The high-ranking king St.
John's U. basketball team, which
already has taken one licking that
doesn't show on the records, prob-
ably is due for another tomorrow.
... The redmen will play a wheel
chair game against the "rollers"
of the Bronx veterans hospital. Last
month they lost to a similar
paraplegic team from Hakoran
(pronounced Haley), who may fol-
low Willard Nixon to the major
leagues. Hoehle, a six-foot, 185-pound
pitcher, won all his games for the
Auburn freshmen last year and
compiled a 1.5 earned run aver-
age. ... At Michigan they'll tell
you to watch Hallback Dave Hill,
a rangy lad who can run like the
dickens. ... And from Idaho comes
word that Sverre Kongsgaard, a
Norwegian exchange student who
ski-jumped some 90 feet last
year, is ready to jump farther at
Mount Spokane.

Decathlon Performance
When Frank Owens graduates
from Indiana U. next June, he
may have to run around in circles
before settling on a job. Besides
being a good middle-distance run-
ner and a high-ranking student in
the school of business, he has done
spare-time work as a carpenter,
segment mixer, plasterer, brick-
layer, salesman, equipment man-
ager, grocery clerk and electrician,
making ten events.

Monday Matinee
When Coach Burt Shipley calls
out his U. of Maryland baseball
squad in a couple of weeks, Track
Coach Jim Kehoe will do the work
for the first ten days. Shipley be-
lieves in running to get the lads
in shape before they touch a bat
or glove. ... Ted Collins, the New
York Bulldogs owner, doesn't
agree with the pro football mag-
nates who objected to the West
coast trip. Ted, who landed in the
Western division of the NFL,
says: "Lots of people are going
to be surprised when they see the
checks we bring back from two of
the best football towns in Amer-
ica." ... When (and if) Peanuts
Lowrey reports to the Cincinnati
Reds' training camp March 1, it
will be the first time in six years
he has turned up for the start of
training. He was a five-year hold-
out with the Cubs.

Cleaning The Cuff
Yonkers Raceway (formerly im-
pire City) will dish out \$249,000 in
purse money during its spring har-
ness racing meet. That's the kind
of thing that makes it tough run-
ning a county fair. ... Bobb Olshan,
sayer, "Lots of people are going
to be surprised when they see the
checks we bring back from two of
the best football towns in Amer-
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ley college to devote full time to



BRING ON THE SNOW—Ready for any weather are Billy von Puhl, 4, of Medina, Calif., and his St. Bernard, Normie. In the best tradition of the breed, Normie has a keg strapped onto her neck.

pitched three no-hit games in base-
ball, which qualifies him to teach
the Dixie Dean version of English.
... Puzzler: Tommy Hardigan,
an outstanding basketball player at
St. John's school in New Hamp-
shire, is captain-elect of the football
team at Georgetown and was good
enough to make the baseball vari-
ety as a sophomore—but he only
plays intra-mural basketball.

Sports in Brief

By The Associated Press

Racing
Arcadia, Calif. — Calomet farm's
Pender and Citation ran one-two
in the \$50,000-added San Antonio
handicap. The favored entry re-
turned \$2.90.
Baseball

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Donkey Cage
Game Tuesday
at Guernsey

The Senior class of Guernsey
will present Jack Hathaway's fa-
mous donkeys in another hilarious
basketball game on February 14.
The high school boys' team con-
sist of Pete Hoover, Arlis Downs,
Elvin Anderson, Paul Ingram,
Billy Martin, and J. T. May.
Their opponents will be a group of
Guernsey men; Olen Parris, Fat
Hampton, Herman Hurd, J. R.
Campbell, Lee Parris, Matt Bris-
tow, and Kenneth Kelly.

Along with the ball game there
will be additional acts between the
quarters and halves. There will be
plenty of laughs and thrills for
all ages.
The public is invited to attend.

Snead Not
to Play at
Harlingen

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 13 — (AP)—
Golf's winter tour rolled on to Har-
lingen, Tex., and the Rio Grande
Valley open today minus its No. 1
attraction—SI a m. m. m. m. m.
Snead, winner of the \$10,000 Tex-
as Open and leader in all depart-
ments of the game for the year.
Snead accumulated 265
strokes for 72 holes and grabbed
the Texas Open here yesterday
for the second time in three years.
He also moved far in the lead in
money earned in the five tourna-
ments played thus far on the PGA
tour.

The star from White Sulphur
Springs, W. Va., left the tour for
a couple of weeks, departing to-
day for Meridian, Miss., where he
will play some exhibitions and rest
up. He will miss the \$10,000 Rio
Grande Valley Open and the \$10-
000 Houston Open, rejoining the
tour at St. Petersburg, Fla., for
the open tournament there March
3-6.

Sam shot an eight-under-par 63
in yesterday's Texas Open final
round to bet out Jimmie Demaret
of Ojai, Calif., by a stroke. He
caught both Demaret and Fred
Haas, Jr., the New Orleans star
in the stretch. Haas, leader at the
three-quarters mark with 199, shot
a 68 and wound up third, a stroke
back of Demaret who laid down a
65. The last two rounds Sam
shot over the tree-lined 6,400-yard
Brackenridge park course totaled
126—a new PGA record for the
final 36 holes of a tournament. It
wiped out the mark hung up in the
Texas open by Sam Byrd in 1945
by three strokes.

The dramatic finish of the tourna-
ment came as lightning flashed,
rain pelted the gallery of 8,000
and had left on the eighteenth
green. Snead came to the last hole
with nine under par and a chance
to tie the competitive course re-
cord of 62 set by Demaret in 1947.
But he drove onto the edge of the
green 40 feet from the pin and
three-putted.

"Why'd you miss that 2 1/2-foot
put Sam?" asked a sports writer.
"It was a-rainin', the hail was a-
fallin' and the people were a-run-
nin' and a-screamin' and I just
couldn't concentrate," Snead re-
plied.

Snead became the second man
ever to win the Texas Open twice.
The first was Bill Melhorn in 1928
and 1929.
Sam won the tournament with
rounds of 71-68-63-63, taking down
\$2,000, first money to bring his
total earnings for the year to
\$7,558. Demaret won \$1,400 and
placed in second place in money
winning with \$4,582. Haas drew
\$1,000 and vaulted from fifth to
third in the cash column. Fred now
has pocketed \$3,420.

Kiner Wants
to Beat the
Babe's Mark

Pittsburg, Feb. 13 — (AP) Ralph
Kiner wants with all his heart to
break Babe Ruth's home run re-
cord this year but he's not talking
much about it.

He's afraid he'll jinx himself.
This is the story intimates get
from the 27-year-old Pittsburg
Pirate slugger.

Ralph slammed out 54 home
runs last year—just six short of
the Babe's record.

His only comment for publica-
tion is:
"I hope to break the record and
I'd like to. I've certainly been try-
ing but it's a little tough."
"I hope to have a good year. F

the annual East-West Shrine game.
Golf
Palm Beach, Fla. — Marlene
Bauer trounced older sister Alice,
6 and 4, to win annual Palm
Beach women's championship.

San Antonio, Tex. — Sam Snead
won the \$10,000 Texas Open golf
tournament with a 72-hole score of
285.

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Monday p. m.
5:00 Mark Trail—M
5:30 Tom Mix—M
6:00 Music for a Mellow Mood
6:15 News, 5-Star & Sports
6:25 Calendar of Events
6:30 Gabriel Heatter—M
6:45 Fulton Lewis, Jr.—M
7:00 B-Bar-B Riders—M
7:30 Affairs of the Heart—M
7:55 Bill Henry News—M
8:00 Texas A & M
8:30 Dance Music—M
10:00 All the News—M
10:15 Dance Music—M
10:55 Mutual Reports News—M
11:00 Sign Off

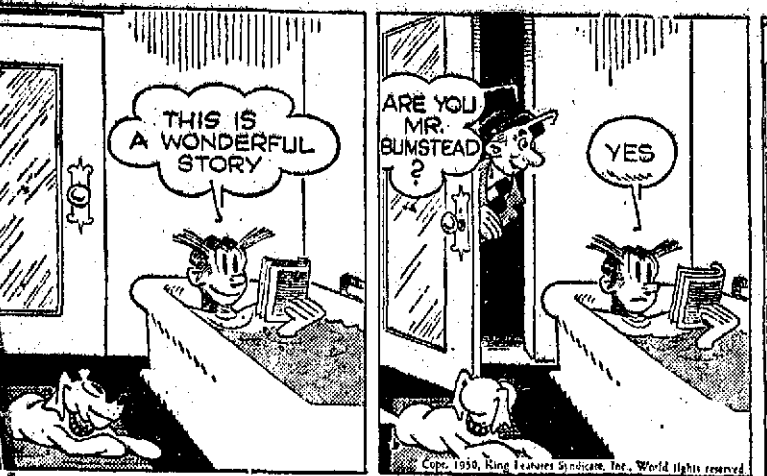
Tuesday a. m.

5:57 Sign On
6:00 Rhythm Roundup
6:30 News, Roundup Edition
6:45 Quarter Time
6:55 Naughton Farms Progr
7:00 Musical Clock
7:30 Breakfast Edition of New
7:35 Calendar of Events
7:45 Morning Devotional
8:00 Robert Hurligh News
8:15 Sunray Service
8:30 Musical Calls
9:30 Musical Interlude
9:45 Morning Matinee
10:00 Walter Mason—M
10:15 Party Line Patter
10:30 Bob Poole's Show—M
11:00 Kate Smith Speaks—M
11:15 Lanny Ross Show—M
11:30 Party Roundup
11:40 Hillbilly Spotlight
11:45 Gabriel Heatter Mailbag

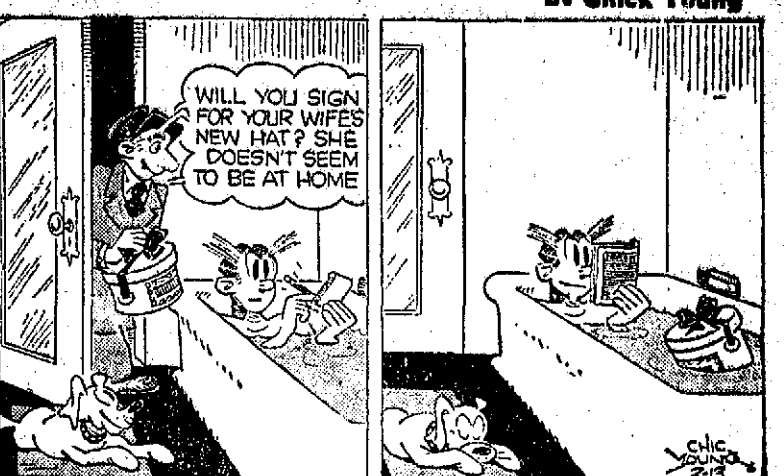
Tuesday p. m.

12:00 News, Home Edition
12:10 Market Time
12:15 Blackwood Bros. Quartet
12:30 Stamps Baxter Melody B
12:45 Church of Christ

BLONDIE



By Chick Young



OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



BORN THIRTY YEARS TOO SOON

National Flag

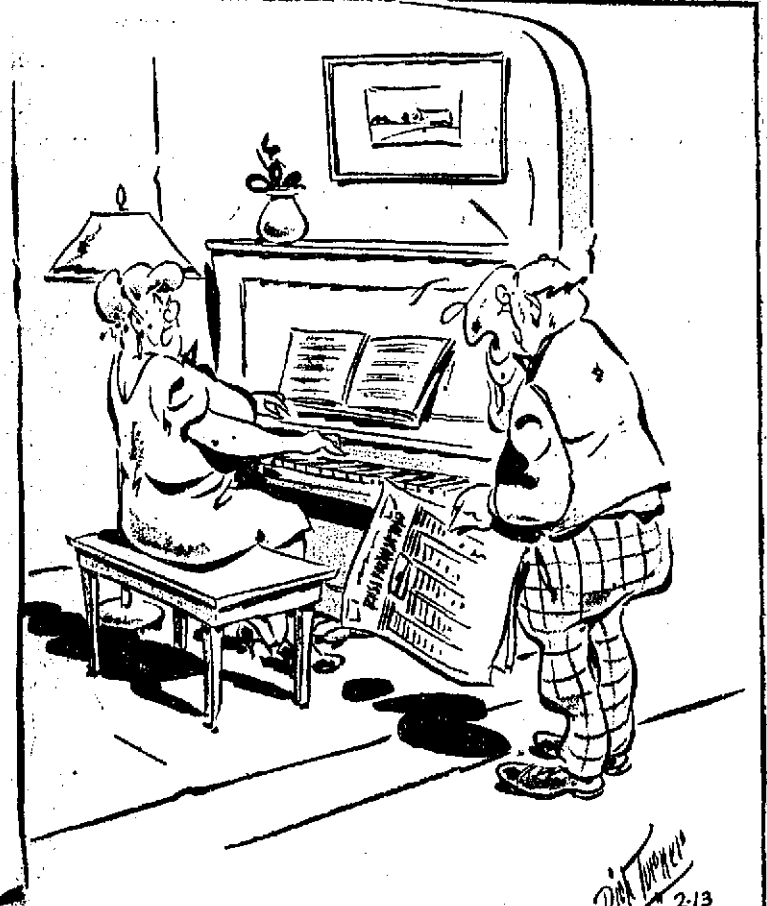
Answer to Previous Puzzle

Horizontal: 2 Epic, 3 Anger, 4 Behold!, 5 Engrave, 6 Cushions, 7 Eras, 8 Killer (comb. form), 9 That thing, 10 Obese, 11 Slanted type, 12 Firm ointment, 17 On account (ab.), 20 Heeled over, 21 Its capital is, 23 Italian city, 25 Mine entrance, 26 Girdles, 27 Cleatix, 28 Precise, 29 Compass point, 30 Township (ab.), 31 Pronoun, 32 Butterfly, 33 Observed, 36 Singing voice, 38 Otherwise, 39 Equipment, 40 Sun god, 41 Skin (comb. form), 47 Hypothetical structural unit, 48 Greek letter, 50 Lariat, 51 Malt beverage, 52 Sea nymphs, 54 Report, 56 Stoats, 57 Former Russian rulers, 58 Fastens securely.

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CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"I wish you'd let me know when you're going to practice your singing, Pet—I thought the piano had fallen on you!"

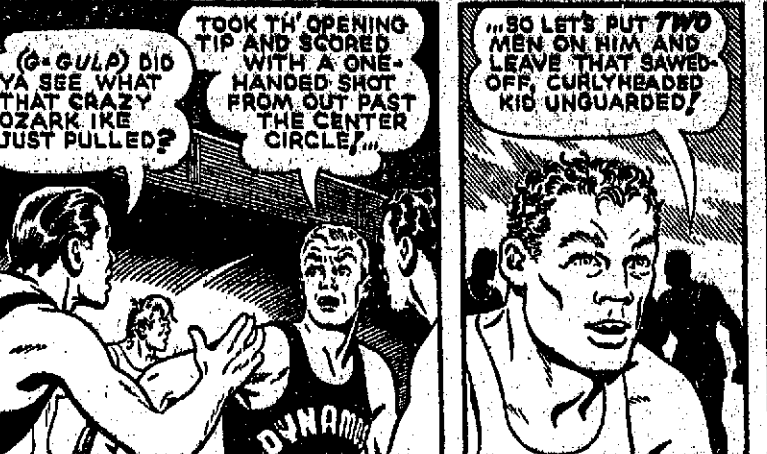
SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



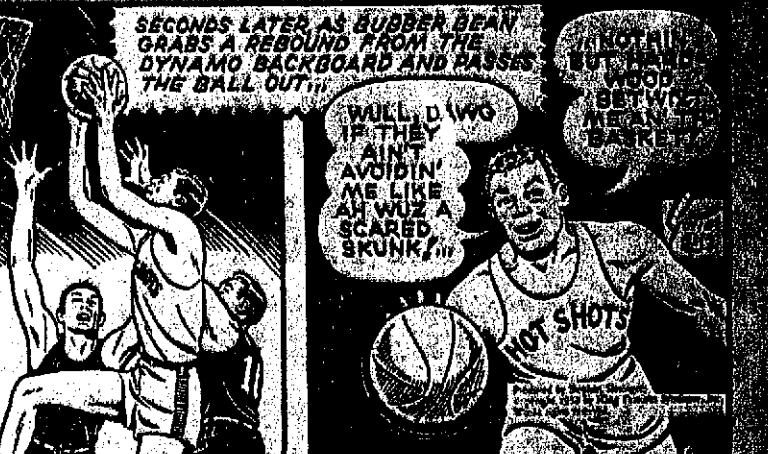
"We can't put 'em to bed yet—let's wait till they find a deserted island to land on after that shipwreck!"

OZARK IKE



VIC FLINT

By Michael O'Malley and Ralph Lon



WASH TUBBS



BUGS BUNNY

By V. T. Hamlin



ALLEY OOP



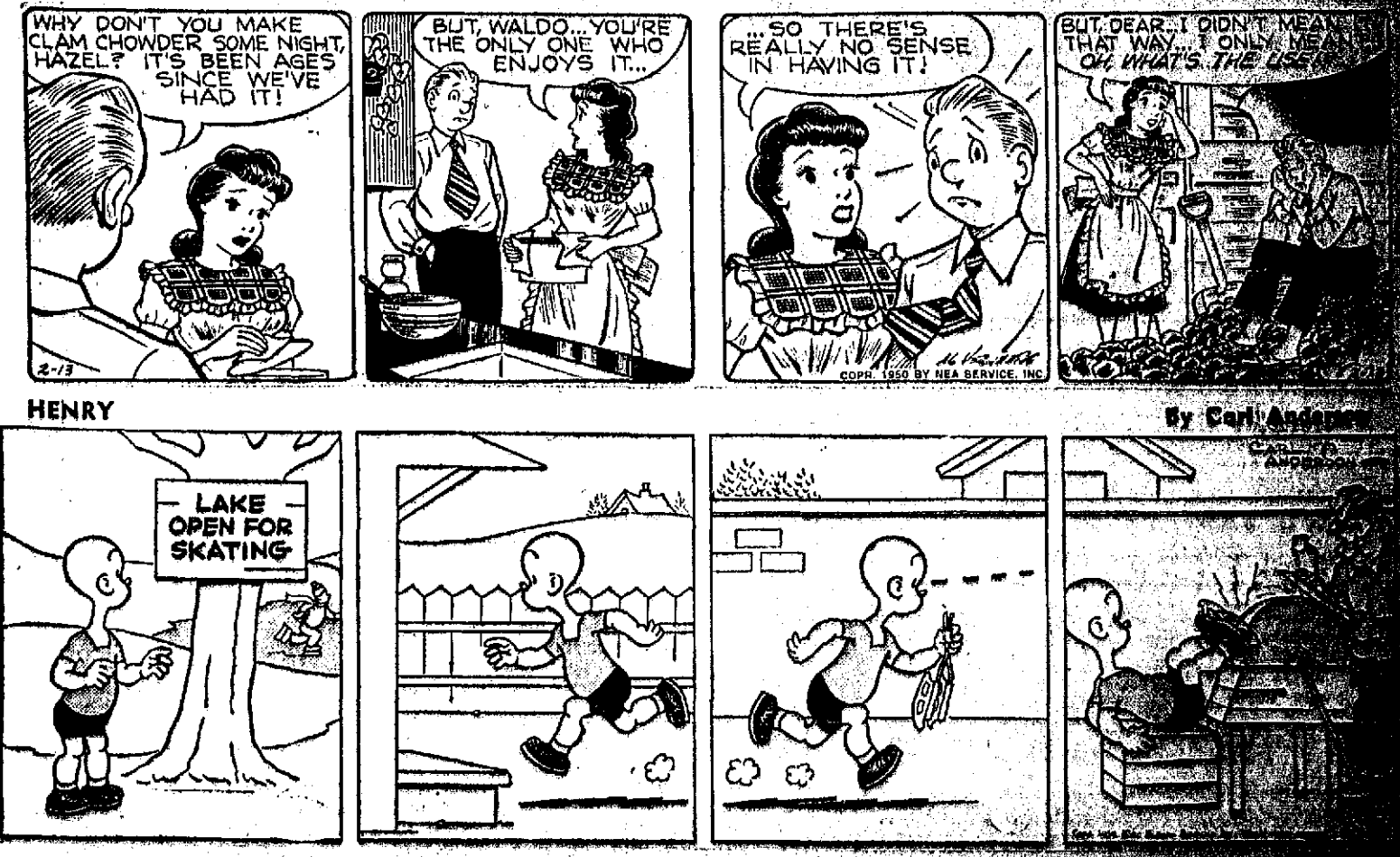
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Man Sought for Killing Wife, Son

New York, Feb. 13 —(AP)—A carnival worker, carrying Valentine flowers for his estranged wife, killed her and their year-old son in a burst of gunfire at a children's shelter yesterday.

The slayer, Murray Goldberg, 27, was sought today by police over a wide area.

His victims were his wife, Estelle, 27, and their son Kenneth.

Goldberg may have been enraged when his wife spurned a plea for reconciliation as he had his weekly Sunday visit with the child, police theorized.

The father fired six shots. He had carried at least two loaded pistols, along with a bouquet of roses, and an orchid resting on a satin heart.

A card in the orchid box read "With love to my wife on Valentine's day" — which occurs tomorrow.

Thirty-five children played in a dormitory one floor above as mother and child were shot down in the visiting room of the Bronx children's shelter. The parents and child were the only ones in the room.

The baby was found dead with one shot over each eye. Police said the father apparently held the gun against the child's face as he fired.

The mother, shot through the right eye, apparently three times, died in a hospital a short time later.

The flowers lay on the floor near the bleeding victims. The little boy's toy porcelain pig and a toy rubber lamb were close by.

The slayer eluded the agent in charge of the shelter and fled.

An emptied gun, was found in the visiting room where Goldberg dropped it. A loaded pistol also was found.

Police believe Goldberg may have carried a third gun, because he made a threatening gesture with a hand in an overcoat pocket as he escaped.

The Bronx shelter, operated by the Children's society, was a neutral ground for the quarrelling Goldbergs, legally separated for two months.

The child lived at the Bronx home of the mother's father, Nathan Chaykin. Mrs. Goldberg took the child to the shelter yesterday for the weekly visit with the father provided in a state Supreme court separation decree.

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U. S., Canada Join in Alaska Maneuvers

Whitehorse, Y. T., Feb. 13 —(AP)—A crack battalion of Canadian troops moved up the Alaska highway early today under a protective umbrella of U. S. and Canadian fighter planes.

It was the start of exercise Sweetbriar — the biggest joint army air force U. S.-Canadian fighter planes.

Up the highway 365 miles, at Northway, is the nearest base and airstrip of the enemy nation — aggressor — which has seized all of Alaska and is preparing to swoop down on Canada and the United States.

Allied forces will attempt to drive the enemy armies back. Where, or when, or how, the two forces will collide is not known.

It's a real war for the more than 5,200 troops assembled here from all parts of Canada and the United States. Spies are even working behind the lines.

But officers in charge emphasize that the maneuvers aren't to be considered a test of defense in the area. Because of the prodigious effort involved in supplying and transporting a large-scale military operation, the task is more than a modern army could handle under fire.

Rather it's a test of men and equipment under Arctic conditions. And for that, it's ideal. Here at Whitehorse where the joint U. S.-Canadian forces are based the mercury hangs around 20 below.

During a lull preceding the start of the maneuver, some troops were taken on a 12-mile march on snow shoes and skis in 50 below zero temperatures. Eighteen men will be in the hospital for a month or two with frostbitten feet, according to Lt. Col. R. M. Coats, surgeon of the Allied forces. He blamed it on failure of the men to take proper precautions to keep their feet dry and warm rather than on equipment.

But that's one of the things the army wants to check.

The exercises are under the command of Lt. Gen. Stephen J. Chamberlain, commanding general of the U. S. Fifth army.

The President set the machinery of the law in motion a week ago after John L. Lewis, chief of the United Mine Workers, rejected his proposal to name a fact-finding board and arrange a 70-day truce without resorting to the Taft-Hartley measure.

The result was the 10-day restraining order which the court issued last Saturday, preparatory to a hearing Feb. 20 on whether an 80-day Taft-Hartley injunction will be granted.

Mr. Truman took the position there was no national emergency prior to the time he invoked the T-H law, and that therefore he had no authority to use it earlier.

The President wants the Taft-Hartley law repealed, but he said repeatedly he would not hesitate to turn to it when conditions warranted.

Ellender said Mr. Truman "waited far too long and there are thousands and thousands of people who think so."

The Democratic party is linked with the efforts of the President to get rid of the Taft-Hartley law, and his handling of the coal strike is going to cost the Democrats thousands of votes in the congressional elections next fall.

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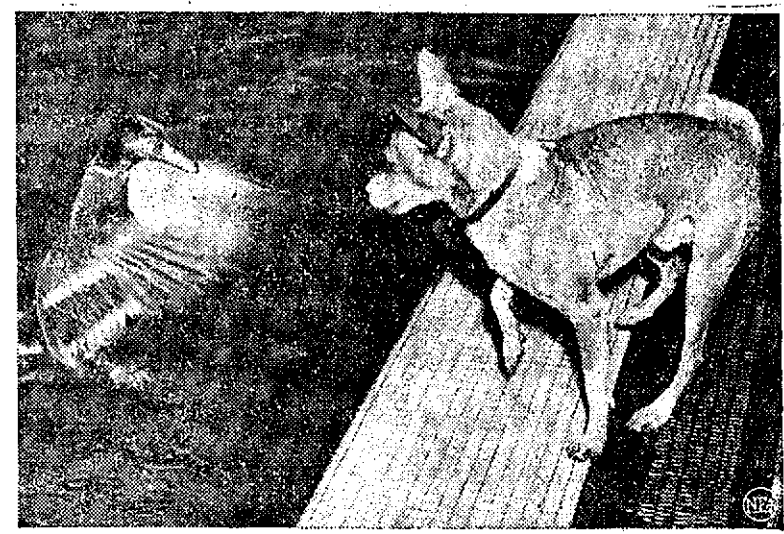
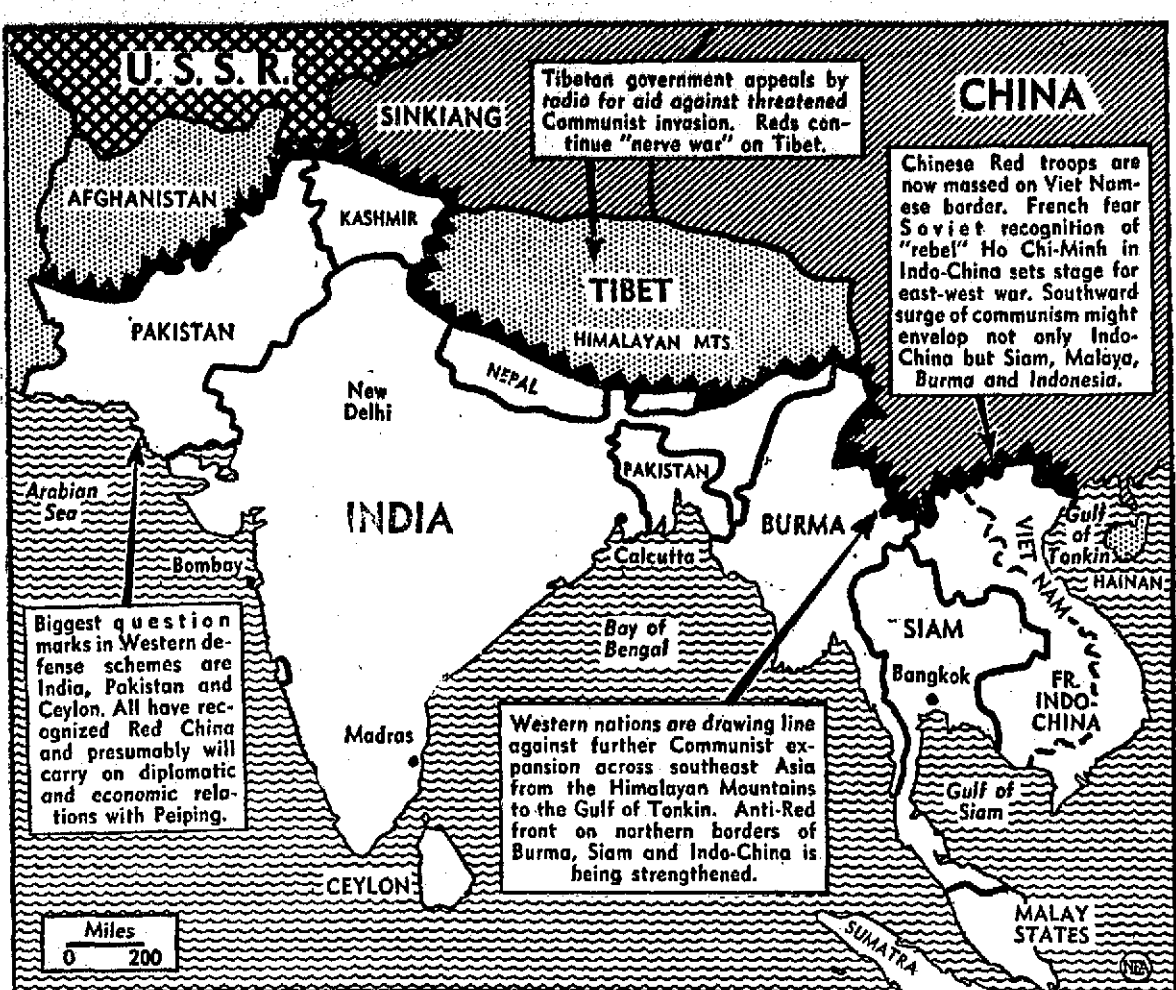
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"TAKE A DIP, PAL"—Oswald, the duck, flaps his wings blissfully and tries to lure his pal into the swimming pool at Madison Square Boys' Club, New York. The pool is closed to members during the water shortage, but officials have allowed club pets to take advantage of the water already in the pool.

PRESCOTT NEWS

Monday, February 13
The young people of the Methodist church will meet with the sub-district Monday night at 8 o'clock.

Tuesday, February 14
The ladies auxiliary of the Central Baptist church will meet at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon.

Wednesday, February 15
The choir of the Methodist church will meet Wednesday night at 7 o'clock for rehearsal.

The men's club of the Presbyterian church will meet Wednesday evening for supper at 6:30. W. V. Tompkins has arranged a

fine program. The speaker will be the Rev. E. Hoyt Kerr, Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Clarksville. The Rev. L. Burney Shell, field representative for the Board of National Missions, will also be a guest of the club.

There will be a mid-week service at the First Christian church Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock. The discussion topic will be "The Message of Church."

Mid-week services at the First Baptist church will be as follows: Seven o'clock teachers meeting; 7:45 prayer meeting; 8:30 choir rehearsal. The nursery will be open for each service.

Musical Coterie Meets in Home of Mrs. Langley
The Prescott Musical Coterie met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. H. Langley. Mrs. Charles Thomas was the assistant.

Mrs. James V. McMahan, president, opened the meeting with the singing of the Federation song and reading of the collect.

Mrs. Dallas Atkins, program leader, gave a most interesting talk on the life of the composer Mozart. She discussed Verdi's clever opera Don Giovanni.

She introduced Mrs. H. L. Eaton who sang "Let's Have a Party" from this opera.

Mrs. Warren L. Cummings, accompanied at the piano, sang "Lila Hays and Mrs. Joe Smith, tenor, sang the very enchanting duet "Give Me Your Hand, Zerlina" from the same opera.

It was delightfully sung and well received by the coterie. Mr. Smith was a special guest of club.

Mrs. McMahan played as a piano selection the gay dance minuet by Mozart.

Mrs. Clarke White gave an enjoyable word study with explanations of various forms of operas.

Delicious refreshments carrying out the Valentine motif were served to members present.

Mrs. McClurkin Honored With Tea
Mrs. D. W. Durham entertained with an informal tea in honor of Mrs. J. I. McClurkin of Morrilton, wife of the late J. I. McClurkin former superintendent of Prescott schools for a number of years, at her home on Wednesday afternoon.

The house was beautifully decorated with narcissus, jonquils, and violets.

The guests were met at the door by Mrs. Durham and invited into the living room where they were presented to Mrs. McClurkin.

Mrs. J. Vernon Fore invited the guests into the dining room where the table was covered with a Venetian lace cloth centered with a low crystal bowl filled with jonquils, narcissus and hyacinths resting on a reflector and flanked by bisque figurines holding arm

bonquets of natural spring flowers.

"Well, I do. To you, black's black and white's white and there's no annoying mysterious shading in between. You're so delightfully uncomplicated, darling."

"In other words," said Alice, "stupid."

(To Be Continued)

Probe Asked of Communist Infiltration

By JACK BELL
Washington, Feb. 13 — (AP)—Republicans today pressed new attacks on what they call communist infiltration into the government.

In the forefront of this drive were Senators Martin (R-Pa.) and McCarthy (R-Wis.). They demanded investigation of charges that the Truman administration is riddled with communists and that the state department has card carrying party members on its rolls.

McCarthy, who made the latter charge, wrote President Truman over the weekend demanding that the 57 be fired.

"Failure on your part (to act) will label the Democratic party as the bed-fellow of international communism," McCarthy told the President.

The Wisconsin senator noted that the charge he first made in a Lincoln day talk at Wheeling, W. Va., had been denied by a state department official. The official said if there were any communists employed the department would like to know them and get rid of them.

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